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Re: Robulus L Zone, Reservoir A  
PALMETTO BAYOU FIELD  
Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana

Dear Commissioner Asprodites:

Application is hereby made on behalf of **RME PETROLEUM COMPANY** for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters:

1. To establish rules and regulations and to create a single drilling and production unit for the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the Robulus L Zone, Reservoir A, in the Palmetto Bayou Field, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana, said unit to be designated ROBU L RA SUA, as shown on the plat attached hereto and made a part hereof.
2. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the proposed unit with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation.
3. To provide that any future wells drilled to the Robulus L Zone, Reservoir A, in the Palmetto Bayou Field, should be located in accordance with the spacing provisions of Statewide Order No. 29-E.
4. To provide that the Commissioner of Conservation should be authorized to reclassify the reservoir by supplemental order without the necessity of a public hearing should the producing characteristics of such reservoir change and evidence to justify such reclassification is submitted to and accepted by the Commissioner of Conservation.

5. To consider such others matters as may be pertinent.

The Robulus L Zone, Reservoir A, in the Palmetto Bayou Field, is hereby defined as being that gas and condensate bearing zone encountered between the depths of 18,854 feet and 20,440 feet (electrical log measurements) (true vertical depths of 18,758 feet and 20,326 feet) in the Union Pacific Resources Inc. - CL&F - No. 2 Well, located in Section 7, Township 18 South, Range 14 East, Terrebonne Parish, Louisiana.

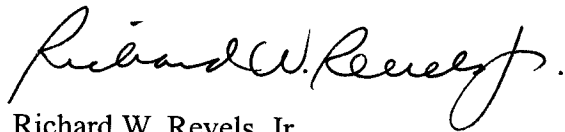
Pertinent data, including well logs, may be obtained **AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY** from W. H. Robbins & Associates, 140 Rue Beauregard, Ste. 100, Lafayette, Louisiana 70508, Telephone Number 337/232-5004.

Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, a pre-application conference was held on September 28, 2001, in Lafayette, Louisiana, at which the parties named on the attached list were in attendance. The conference was opened by representatives of the applicant who explained the bases for the applicant's proposal. Three counterplans were also shown and explained in which the proponents suggested both larger and smaller units than that proposed by the applicant and differently configured. As a result of the opposition expressed at the conference, RME has revised its unit proposal, reducing the size of the proposed unit from 1000 acres to 800 acres and eliminating acreage of the operator to the west who expressed the desire to develop its acreage independently. Although this revised plan partially resolves differences, the applicant anticipates that opposition to its revised plan is likely. Should any interested party wish to consult further concerning this revised plan, the undersigned should be notified.

Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a revised plat, the conference attendance list and a list of the names and addresses of the Interested Owners, Represented Parties, and Interested Parties to whom a copy of this pre-application notice is being mailed. Pursuant to the Revised Rules of Procedure, such list of parties is being furnished only to the Commissioner of Conservation and to the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation; however, the list of parties will be furnished to any party requesting copies. A reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all Interested Owners, Represented Parties and Interested Parties.

Finally, enclosed is our check on behalf of the applicant, in the amount of \$700.00, **made payable to the Office of Conservation** representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,

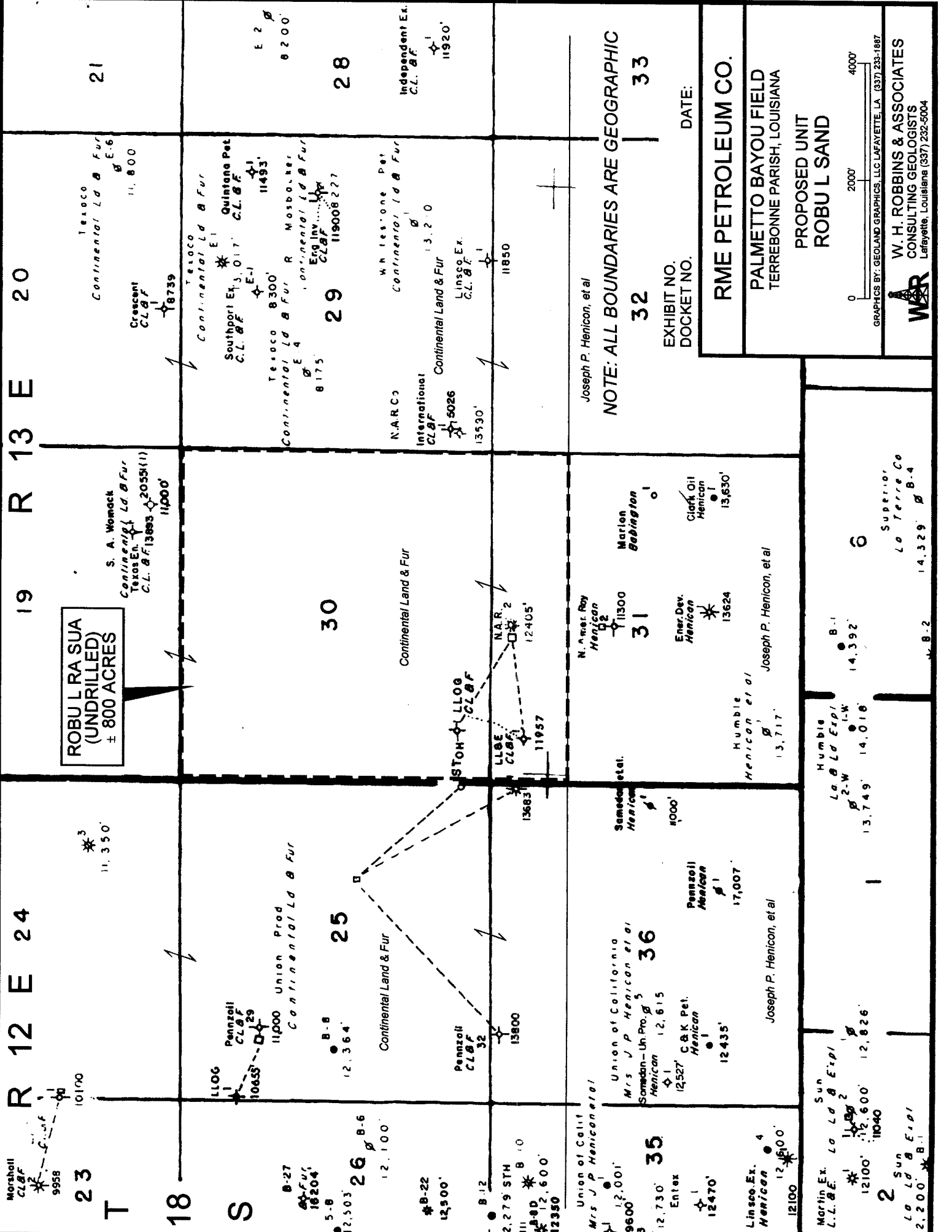


Richard W. Revels, Jr.

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Attachments

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cc: Mr. Richard Hudson, District Manager and  
Interested Owners, Represented Parties  
and Interested Parties



NOTE: ALL BOUNDARIES ARE GEOGRAPHIC

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EXHIBIT NO.  
DOCKET NO.

DATE:

RME PETROLEUM CO.

PALMETTO BAYOU FIELD  
TERREBONNE PARISH, LOUISIANA

PROPOSED UNIT  
ROBU L SAND

0 2000' 4000'

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